

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Psalm 27:1

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Calendar Review

- Wednesday, February 24 Altar Server Training – Third of three options – 5:30 p.m. – Church
- Thursday, February 25 Track Meeting for parents of interested students 7:00 p.m. – Falcon Hall
- Friday, February 26 Free dress for any child in a family who has purchased one or part of a Luck of the Irish Raffle ticket!
Stations of the Cross – 2:30 p.m.
- Thursday, March 4 Men’s Club Meeting – 6:45 p.m. – Falcon Hall
- Friday, March 5 First Friday – 8:30 p.m. mass
FULL DRESS
Stations of the Cross – immediately after mass
Yearbook Ads due – electronic submissions, please!
- Saturday, March 6 Luck of the Irish Dinner and Raffle
Come and enjoy the fun!
- Monday, March 8 VIP/Grandparents’ Day – 12:30 p.m. dismissal
- Tuesday, March 9 Reconciliation for students in grades 2-8
Band Practice from 3:30-4:30 (Parish Center)
Cheer Squad 2011 – Planning Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday, March 11 **Festival 2010 Planning Meeting**
Since the festival is the service project for grades 4 and 5, if your child is the only child or the oldest, this meeting is mandatory for at least one parent.

Dates to Remember

- Thursday, March 18 12:30 p.m. dismissal – NO PM EXTENDED CARE – please plan accordingly
- Friday, March 19 No School – Faculty Inservice
- Monday, March 22 No School – Faculty Inservice
- Thursday, April 1 Holy Thursday – 12:30 p.m. dismissal
NO PM EXTENDED CARE
- Good Friday, April 2 Easter Vacation begins – classes resume on Monday, April 12 with a 12:30 p.m. dismissal
- Save the date for Summer School! June 21- July 16
July 4 holiday – July 2 and July 5

BINGO SCHEDULE

WORKERS MUST ARRIVE BY 6:00 p.m. BINGO NOW STARTS AT 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 24	Wednesday, March 3	Wednesday, March 10	Wednesday, March 17
Dabai, Ledesma, Reynoso, Cole, Marsh, Suarez, Mott	Adao, Schirmer, Bonnin, Mendoza, West/Parras	Avelar, Gutierrez, Mitchell, Bosch, Fontenot, O’Reilly	Campbell, Ponce, Agler, Castro, Harper, Ruegg, Wilson

Reminder for Kindergarten Parents If you applied for Kindergarten for your child, please remember that forms and responses are due to the office by this Friday. We do have a waiting list and would like to be able to respond to those parents as soon as we know if we will have any openings. Please let us know what you intend to do. Thank you!

Bundle of Joy **Congratulations to the Adao Family (Mia – Grade 1, Riley – Kindergarten) for their new blessing from above, Sophia Reese Adao, who entered this world on Monday, February 22. May the Lord continue to bless your whole family with new beginnings, new life, and new love!**

Very Important Safety Issue We are almost at the end of the year, and I still have some cars having a difficulty following the drive through procedures. Please be sure to tell friends, grandparents, cousins, and anyone else who may use the drop off to follow the path behind the Church. We are concerned about the safety of the many students walking down with parents from the upper parking lot. Yes, remember, that area is not the drop off area, nor is Alida Way. Abiding by the safety rules helps us to keep all the children safe. Thank you so much for your cooperation.

We Did It Again! Thank you so much for your sharing of your treasures in our Ash Wednesday collection. We raised \$533.17 for Heifer International. That is quite a feat! I am always overwhelmed by the experience of your generosity. It is truly a blessing and a witness of your great faith.

**Private School Aid Service Forms
Response to your Question**

Some people have called asking for a password in order to open the application for the Private School Aid Service forms. Mrs. Flynn has spoken to Annette Brown, the financial person in the Department of Catholic Schools, and she has said there is no need for a password. Ms. Brown has given us the following directions:

- ◇ Go to the website of the Department of Catholic Schools (www.sfcatholicschools.org)
- ◇ On the right hand side, under Tuition Assistance, click on Archdiocesan Grants. The Tuition Assistance page should pop up.
- ◇ Scroll down to the bottom where you will find the forms you can download.

Be sure to respect the deadline. The 2010-2011 Tuition Schedule should be available soon. Ms. Pallitto would recommend that if you even think assistance may be good, you should apply. It never hurts to cover all your bases.

Please note – if you applied for your high school child, submit a second application for your St. Veronica student.

**Two Very Important Upcoming
Guild Events**

Have you bought your Luck of the Irish tickets yet? I know we are living in difficult times and some of you have already stopped reading this section because there is just no way, but if you can and if you feel creative, there are still tickets on sale for the Luck of the Irish. Who knows – you could win! The School Guild relies heavily upon this fundraiser which is also a wonderful fundraiser. The sixth grade families are organizing a special dinner and waiting only for your reservations. This is really one of my favorite dinners of the year. It is so nice to see the community come together and our Irish dancers are always a special treat. We would love to have you.

On a different note, please check with your parents to make sure they have mailed in their reservation cards for our VIP/Grandparents' Day celebration. The committee is looking to order their supplies and make the final preparations for the day. A more accurate count is needed to plan accordingly. Please, a little assistance from you would be greatly appreciated.

Just a thought – we really are fortunate to have two vibrant and supportive parent organizations. Without the Men's Club and the School Guild, I do not know where we would be. Wouldn't it be something if everyone became a part of one or the other?

And the Winner Is ... Marco Morales!

Congratulations to Marco Morales, and Mrs. Hom, for his winning essay. Marco submitted an essay (printed below) to the Catholic Television Network in celebration of Catholic Schools Week. He had to write about the theme – Catholic Schools: Dividends for Life! His winning piece brought an iPod Nano into his home and a document reader for the school!

When I travel to a city that I have not visited before, I like to have a map to avoid getting lost. At St. Veronica Catholic School I am learning good morals that will help me not get lost in life as I get older. For example, at St. Veronica I'm learning about kindness and being nice to others. This helps me get along with my classmates and family members. Getting along with others helps me make friends. This is important now and for the rest of my life. I will always carry my Saint Veronica "map" with me.